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**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT**

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## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A bistatic laser radar (lidar) device is described that comprises a transmit channel (60) for forming a focused transmit beam, and a receive channel (62) for forming a focused receive beam. The device is arranged such that the focus of the transmit beam and the focus of the receive beam fall on a common axis when focused to a distance within the operable distance range of the device. The device may be used for vibrometry, wind speed measurements and the like. Implementation of such a device using optical fibre based components is described.